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TOPIC Soviet Troops in Burg

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1. Sentries observed at the Neue Kaserne on Zerbsterchaussee, Burg (M 53/Y 61), on 15 March 1951 wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. About 20 groups of 10 to 12 soldiers each received rifle and submachine gun training in the barracks yard.

many trucks with troops, and 12 caterpillar tractors with artillery pieces left for Altengrabow about 12 March and had not returned by 15 March. Trucks were included in the convoy.

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2. The Alte Kaserne on August Bebelstrasse was guarded by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. Squads of soldiers were at rifle drill in the barracks yard. Four construction details, each equipped with two pack reels and two field telephones, strung a field wire from the Alte Kaserne to the Neue Kaserne. Trucks observed at the Alte Kaserne

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3. The Alte Kaserne did not seem to be occupied to capacity between 12 and 25 March; about 70 percent of its windows were lighted at nightfall. Soldiers observed wore red-bordered black epaulets, some with tank insignia. Four artillery pieces, apparently AA guns, were parked in the barracks yard on 13 March. A heavy tank was observed the evening of the same day. Two tanks and two SP guns drove to the barracks installation on 16 March.

A motor column moving toward the barracks installation on 19 March included 1 four-wheel armored scout car, 2 armored personnel carriers, 4 sidocar motorcycles, and trucks

each occupied by 20 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles observed in the billeting area between 12 March and 24 March

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Comment. According to reports received to date, the Neue Kaserne is believed to quarter elements of the unidentified AT Arty Brig, possibly the 3d Gds, of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps; elements of the unidentified Gun Arty Brig, possibly the 44th, of the Third Shock Army; elements of the 207th Itz Rifle Div; and, possibly, a component of the 3d Gds AAA Div. The Alte Kaserne is definitely believed to quarter the 136th Gds Hvy Tank SP Regt of the Third Shock Army and, probably, also unidentified AT artillery and AAA units. The motor vehicle [redacted] mentioned in the present report substantiate the assumed disposition of units in Burg.

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